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In re Application of: Briefmeier et al.

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## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir.

Responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 7, 2002, a period of Response having been set to expire on March 7, 2002, a 1-Month Petition for Extension of Time is hereby made in order to extend the time for filing a Response up to and including April 7, 2002. A check in the amount of \$160.00 (\$65.00 representing the Missing Parts surcharge fee for a small entity, \$40.00 representing the Assignment recordation fee, and \$55.00 representing the 1-Month Petition and Fee for Extension of Time).

A Response to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application is being filed simultaneously herewith.

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Although a check is being submitted, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charg any d ficiency or credit any overpayment associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account Number 50-0426.

Respectfully submitted,

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